

Presidents Corner

February 2023

Kari Hoffman, President

Aloha Members,

I'm proud to report the following progress since my last report in January 2023.

OFFICE

- We have sent out the 8,800 annual billing statements as well as a President's Letter and Survey. If you did not receive a statement, please call the office to check what address we have for you. Maintenance fees are due by April 1st.
- We are still interviewing for a GM. We have additional candidate interviews this week. I will post on the website as soon as we have hired someone.
- The Board reviewed a bid to purchase a folding and stuffing machine from Quadient for \$36,000. The directors decided to continue looking for other equipment before we make any decision for purchase. Each mailing costs HPPOA approximately \$5000 to have Office Max fold and stuff for us or the use of volunteers for an average of 160 hours of time. With 3 mailings a year it is worth us finding a fold and stuff machine which will increase productivity and reduce the need for volunteers.

Roads

- Civil Construction has started the 4th Ave paving job between Kaloli and Paradise. Grading started but was halted due to the storm that hit us last week. They plan to begin again as soon weather permits. Once prep is complete, they will be paving immediately. They will then start on 4th between Paradise and Maku'u.
- The road crew has been busy picking up down trees and branches with the past storms. They have also been patching potholes on the paved roads and graded 16 miles of dirt roads.
- The Board approved the installation of a speed hump on 22nd approximately 500 ft from Kaloli going towards Paradise.
- Our 2 graders were down but are now back up and running.
- The board has sent off the road sample to a mainland company for testing a new dust control product. We look forward to hearing the results to see if we can find a solution to the dust problems on our dirt roads.

Forensic Analysis

- Dirk Von Guenther will be meeting with a panel of members and Board of Directors to review the findings in the analysis in early March. Over 7,000 items have been logged and analyzed.

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Mailboxes

- The Board approved the first two site locations for the Mailbox Parks on 4th Street just off of Kaloli and at 6th Street just off Maku'u. The next step is to submit the site plans and proposed structures to the USPS for approval.
- The board has not yet been able to meet with Malamalama Waldorf School to review their lease and see if we can get 6 of our 20 acres back for use with mailboxes.
- The Post Office has begun the assigning of the street addresses to each lot not currently assigned an address, which is their first step, and they will then add them to their database to make them a legal address. Each lot will be assigned a mailbox when the project is complete with their street address as their legal mailing address.

Website

- The Board approved the spending of up to \$500 for our website to be able to have advance features such as e-forms, links and maybe even online payments down the road. Our website is getting back up to speed thanks to Katherine Patton, with information that we didn't have posted. You can find the latest Audit report, Minutes and other reports now on the website.
- Katherine is also working on creating e-forms to make it easier for owners to report road maintenance requests, information and document requests and apply for board openings.

Election

- The Board voted to hire the League of Women Voters to handle this year's election. They will receive all ballots up to June 1st and then count them shortly after.
- If you are interested in running for the Board, applications must be received by the office by March 17th at 3pm. Districts 2 thru 8 are up for election. A new colorful District Map has been created and uploaded to the website if you don't know which district you live in.

Committee Updates:

- *Finance Committee* – Meeting 2/24 at 11am, they will be starting to look at next years budget and review financials YTD.
- *Bylaws Committee* will meet February 22 at 4pm in the Library.

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- *Nominating Committee* met February 16. Banners are hung and the committee is starting to solicit candidates for the upcoming election in June. Next meeting February 24 at 10:00am in the Library.
- *Land Use Committee* will meet March 14 at noon in the Library. The board voted to increase the committee from 5 to 7 members, 2 being board members. If interested contact the office.
- *Human Resources Committee* has finalized the Employee Handbook and has given it to the Board for approval at the March 15th BOD meeting. They are also working on job descriptions for Road Crew and Maintenance/Grounds positions.
- *Membership Meeting Committee* has set the agenda for the February 26th Membership Meeting.
- *Cultural Preservation Committee* meets the 2nd Saturday 10:00am-12:00pm in the Library each month.
- *Neighborhood Watch* meets the 1st Saturday of each month 9:00am at the Activity Center, Swap Meet is the 2nd Saturday of each month from 7:00am-11:00am at Activity Center and Classes on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 9:00am in Activity Center.

The General Membership Meeting is Sunday, **February 26, 2023 at 3pm** in the Activity Center. Check-in for the meeting will begin at 2pm, meeting will start at 3pm. Come get involved, meet your neighbors and see what you've been missing.

The membership is looking for help planning a 50 year anniversary luau for HPPOA. Sign-up at the Membership Meeting to be on the planning committee.

Thank you everyone for your patience and support. I am proud to live in this great community.

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